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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2002. The Examiner has required restriction to one of three inventions. The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Election of Claim Groups

In the Office Action, the Examiner required election of one of three claim groups. The Examiner has grouped the invention into the following three claim groups:

Group I. Claims 1-25 and 58-76, drawn to a method of management;

Group II. Claims 26-42, drawn to a purchase request system; and

Group III. Claims 43-57, drawn to a data center apparatus.

Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Group II, containing claims 26 through 42, drawn to a purchase request system. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the remaining claims in a divisional application.

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